



## ASMC Newsletter . . . Mount Vernon Chapter

# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Patricia Ackerman, CDFM

Well, a year has come and gone and somehow or another I have managed to remain President for another year. Several of your officers are changing faces though. After several years of dedicated service, Robyn Walick has stepped down. I would like to personally thank Robyn for all of her support over the last year. I don't what I would have done without her and the institutional knowledge she brought to the council. Another long-standing officer has decided to leave our ranks, Carol Bryant. Although I have never had the opportunity to meet Carol face to face, she has done an outstanding job of serving this organization for several years. Even when she left DoD, she retained the position as Newsletter Director. Carol will be missed by all of us. The following is a short synopsis of the incoming and outgoing officers:

President	Patricia Ackerman	Patricia Ackerman
Vice-President	Ron Szatmary	Ron Szatmary
Awards & Scholarships	Diane Andrews	Diane Andrews
Chapter Competition	Marticia Banks-Booker	Rita Roberts
Education	Vacant	Marticia Banks-Booker
Membership	Jill Cone	Mary Sutton
Newsletter	Carol Bryant	Stacey Royston
Programs	James Harden	MAJ Knowlton
Publicity & Photography	Karen Sikes	Deborah McLaurin
Secretary	Robyn Walick	Edna Plancon
Services	Snookie Senires-Dubyak	Steve Breyfogle
Social & community Services	Rose Green	Rose Green
Treasurer	Jill Karayannis	Jill Karayannis
Web Master	Cindi Marxen	Kevin Brooks

I would like to thank all of those officers that are departing for the time and effort they have put into this organization and I hope that you will continue to be "active" members. To those coming on board, welcome and I hope the experience you gain over the following year will help you to grow both personally and professionally.

As I have stated on several occasions over the past year, we are having a difficult time with "active" membership. Your new executive council needs your help. Please let us know what we can do for you to get you actively involved in this organization. We need your support and want you to benefit from your relationship with this organization. I invite you to write to any of your new officers and let us know.

## MINUTES OF THE CHAPTER EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

by  
Robyn Walick

1. The President called the meeting to order at 1300 hrs, 13 Jun 2002. The following officers attended:

Patricia Ackerman, President  
Marticia Banks-Booker, Chapter Competition  
Diane Andrews, Awards & Scholarship  
Robyn J. Walick, Secretary

The following officers were excused:

Ron Szatmary, Vice President  
Jill F. Karayannis, Treasurer  
Rose Green, Social & Community Services  
Cindi Marxen, Web Master  
Karen Sikes, Publicity and Photography  
Snookie Senires-Dubyak, Services  
Jill Cone, Membership  
James Harden, Program Director  
Carol Bryant, Newsletter  
Vacant, Education Director

2. Information on upcoming luncheons:

a. The June luncheon will be held at the Hunter Restaurant. Cost is \$13.00 for members, \$14.00 for non-members. The luncheon will be recognition of the Chapter's volunteers. Pat is preparing certificates for those people who have volunteered in different ways throughout the past year. The CEC officers should be submitting names to her. Robyn will bring flowers to give to each volunteer being recognized, too.

b. The July luncheon is the installation of Officers. Location/Cost TBD.

3. Officer's Discussion:

a. President:

- PDI. One of the winners for the savings bonds was Mrs. McCall, who donated the

bond back. Ron still had the submissions and another name was pulled. Sandy

Phillips, one of the Mount Vernon members, won.

\* PDI. Incentive for members to become Certified Defense Financial Managers is the reception that was held the first night of the PDI. It was an elaborate buffet and open bar open to those who are CDFMs.

\* PDI. Pat attended a session that gave ideas for membership incentives. They include: Rebating to new members the \$4 that comes to the chapter, a welcoming phone call from an appropriate chapter officer (Pres/VicePres/Membership Dir), and introducing/announcing new members at the monthly meetings. Pat will forward a full set of her notes to the incoming membership director.

b. Social and Community Services: Rose was unable to attend, but submitted the following information.

\* Asked for concurrence on the flyer for the homeless shelters to be released. Approved unanimously.

\* Recommend we collect school supplies for the Fort Belvoir School at the August luncheon. Approved.

- Marticia had recommend by email a service project for a church family member who needs an expensive supplement. Nestle company has a promotion to send some for mailing costs only. This was tabled until the next CEC meeting.

c. Chapter Competition:

- Mount Vernon chapter earned two awards that were presented at the PDI: Five Star and Community Service. Marticia will put together a copy of Report Book to hand over to the next Chapter Competition Director. She has been gathering materials for the next reporting period (April 2002 to Mar 2003).

d. Awards and Scholarships.

\*Diane recommends bringing back the idea of creating a timeline with the various requirements.

\*Nothing new to report at this time.

e. Treasurer.

\* Diane passed monthly statements for the Treasurer, who could not attend, to the President for her signature.

\* An issue was also sent on a dispute on a PDD charge. Pat will look into it. Pat led a discussion on credit card capability. Motion was made to get credit card capability for the chapter. Pat related that Jill Karayannis said she would do the research if reelected to the Treasurer position. The 4 officers present voted in favor, but the motion was tabled until the new slate of officers takes office.

f. Secretary. The next CEC meeting should include both the incoming and outgoing officers. Question asked was - has National been contacted yet for someone to do the installation?

g. Membership. Jill Cone was unable to attend, but there was discussion of inviting Calibre and Sun Trust to be corporate members.

4. Other Information:

\* Elections. Robyn recommended the election ballots be emailed out for those who are unable to attend and want to vote. Marticia reported there was a full slate of officers for the election. Elections will be at the June luncheon.

\* Transition. Pat attended a PDI session that discussed transition of chapter officers. Points to remember are transfer of records, knowledge, and responsibilities. It is important for new officers to be able to maintain contact with previous ones.

5. The meeting was adjourned at 1400 hrs.

## **FORT BELVOIR FEDERAL CREDIT UNION "QUICK TIPS"**

The latest news and promotions  
Fort Belvoir Federal Credit Union!

### **TAP THE EQUITY IN YOUR HOUSE**

Whatever the project this year, be smart and let your house pay for its repairs with a home equity loan from Fort Belvoir Federal Credit Union. With low loan rates and convenient repayment terms, we can help finance any job. Contact a Member Service Specialist today!

### **CELEBRATE THE SUMMER**

With the FREEDOM of low-rate financing . . . Relax and enjoy your new boat or RV with a loan from us. We offer rates as low as 9.00% APR plus no payments for 3 months.

### **GREAT AUTO LOAN RATES AVAILABLE**

Speak with a Member Service Specialist to get financing before shopping for that new car. We offer rates as low as 5.9% APR for 60 months. If you already have a car, we can lower your monthly payment or we'll pay you \$50 dollars.

### **FINANCIAL SEMINARS**

Fort Belvoir Federal Credit Union understands that the way to make educated decisions about your money is to get the right information and be able to ask the right questions. That's why we host financial seminars every second Thursday of the month. Here's a list of the upcoming seminars:

July - "Understanding your Credit"  
August - "Asset Allocation"

If you have any questions, please give me a call.  
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## Grapevine

### INSCOM News:

Congratulations to the following INSCOM personnel who recently were wed:

Elizabeth (Beth) Millard married Scott Harkema

Jessica Bird married William (Bill) Rogers

Valerie Hall married Phil Durham

Good luck to Christy Bossard who is currently in Sustaining Base Leadership and Management Program

Congratulations to Dave Elliott who recently completed the Professional Resource Management Course (PRMC) at Syracuse, NY

Best Wishes to Colonel Teddy Stout, a past Mount Vernon Chapter President, who retires this summer.

Congratulations to Beth on receiving her Master's Degree in Business Administration from Strayer University this past June.

Congratulations to David Kirby and Jessica Bird upon their graduation from the CP-11 Intern Program and their promotions to GS-11.

INSCOM welcomes Thelma Copeland, who joins them as their newest intern, as well as Shey Kesterson and Miranda Manderson who joins the INSCOM office of the Army Signal Agency.



### JULY LUNCHEON

**When:** July 18th

**Where:** Mount Vernon Inn

**Cost:** \$14.00 Members

\$14.50 Non-Members

**Menu:** Roast Beef with Gravy, homemade mashed potatoes, fresh garden vegetables, salad, corn muffins, and a slice of pie (apple, cherry, or pecan). Beverages include your choice of coffee, tea, milk or a soft drink.

**Topic:** Installation of Chapter Executive Council Officers for Program Year 2002-2003

### AUGUST LUNCHEON

**When:** August 15th

**Where:** Paradiso's Restaurant  
Franconia Road, Springfield

**Cost:** To Be Determined

**Menu:** All-you-can-eat buffet

Dear Chapter Members,  
Thank you for the support you've given me during the years I've served as a CEC Officer. Since 1996, I have served in a number of positions: Education Director, Programs Director, Chapter Competition Director, and Newsletter Director. This is my last newsletter and I want you to know that I could not have done it without you! Thanks Again! Carol.

# National News

## PDI 2002 is a Success!

Almost 3,600 attendees arrived in Denver to participate in this premium training event. From service day to workshops, and Health Fair to Banquet, attendees garnered valuable information and skills. Workshop presentations that were not on the PDI CD-Rom will be placed on the website as soon as they become available to us. Thanks for a wonderful week and see you in New Orleans in 2003!

## Members' Continuing Education Grant Program and High School Scholarships

### Dick Vincent Scholarship Grant Winner

Stephanie Y. Jordan, Middle Georgia  
Grant Winners

Helen Michele Case, Alamo City  
Kimberly J. Dickerson, Middle Georgia  
Beatrice A. Duncan, Pikes Peak  
Belinda J. Hobbes, Tri-State  
Suzanne Kamikawa, Aloha  
Martha E. Lamey, Tri-State  
Deborah K. May-Williams, Land of Lincoln  
Sherri L. Muller, Kansas City  
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Thomas F. Osterhoudt, Washington  
Joyce M. Pence, Kansas City  
Raymond F. Spoto, Greater Atlanta  
Cassie J. Spreher, Aviation  
Sandra C. Williams, Tri-State

### \$2,000 High School Scholarships

Ryan C. Daut, Jersey Devil and Picatinny

### **Miguel Luis Guerra, Mount Vernon**

Christopher M. Guzzard, Middle Georgia

Julia F. Joens, Rio Grande

Alissa M. Jostes, Mile High

### \$1,000 High School Scholarships

Sloan W. Dawson, Greater Omaha

Melissa R. Hoglund, Evergreen

Grace C. Hou, Hampton Roads

Melissa E. Monroy, Amigo

Barton C. Sattler, Greater Omaha

## DFAS Denver Honor Guard Tribute to Sep 11 Victims

"Ladies and Gentlemen, the DFAS Denver Honor Guard will present a special Ceremony to honor our comrades lost and injured on September 11th, 2001.

In the spirit of the Prisoner of War/Missing in Action Table we would like to take a moment to remember the ASMC members who lost their lives during the terrorist attacks of September 11th, with an observance that we will refer to as the Fallen Comrades Table. Please take notice of the table to the left of the stage.

The table is small, representing the frailty of unsuspecting victims against terrorist aggressors. The white tablecloth symbolizes the purity of our comrades' intentions to serve their country with selfless dedication in the Department of Defense.

A single white lily in the vase reminds us of the tremendous loss suffered that fateful day. The red, white, and blue ribbon tied to the vase, reminiscent of our American flag and the unyielding spirit of the American people. A slice of lemon on the bread plate; reminds us of our fallen comrades bitter fate.

Salt is also on the bread plate, reminding us of the many tears shed by their families and friends.

The inverted glass; reminds us they will not be able to toast with us again.

The empty chair reminds us that they are no longer with us, but have gone on to a better place.

Ladies and Gentlemen, may we have a moment of silence for our ASMC Fallen Comrades."

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